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I just wanted to write in my support against Microsoft in your case against them. In my opinion the US Government has gone way to soft on Microsoft. As we progress as a country, one of the things we need to do to stay on top it to keep developing our technologies so they are better than any other. Microsoft stands in the way of this by having a monopoly and using that monopoly to stifle competition in any way possible. Many businesses have had to close because of Microsoft's monopoly. Some of these businesses could have come up with advances in the field that make sure the US is still ahead of everyone else but are now unable to do that.

On a personal note, I am employed as a Unix Administrator. If Microsoft had their way my job, which I have stuck years of training into to, would be eliminated. I have a wife and 2 young children that depend on me solely for financial support. Why should one company, because of their monopoly, have a say on wether I will have a job in the future?

Please think and decide with common sense on this issue, not political donations and lobbyists. Thank you.

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